



# Great Bargains for the People.

We have just received one of the largest

lines of

**DRY GOODS**

**IN TOWN,**

which we are selling so low that we DEFY COMPETITION.

**NEW GOODS AND NEW FIRM.**  
COME AND SEE US.

**The Crittenden Press**

ISSUED WEEKLY.

R. C. WALKER, Publisher.

Congratulations to Gov. Brown.

Paducah will have a stock show and races Oct 14, 15 and 16th.

The Tennessee Legislature is trying to settle the convict question.

Mr. Headley, Gov. Brown's Secretary of State, is a native of Webster county.

Campbell and McKinley, the two champions of the Ohio campaign, are to meet on the stump.

It seems to be conceded by all that Crittenden county cannot or will not support a fair.

The Census Commissioner has figured the exact number of people in this country to be 62,622,260.

At a meeting of the Democratic State Committee of Indiana it was developed that that body was for Cleveland as the standard-bearer of '92.

Mr. Harrison has announced, it is said, that he will not be a candidate for the Republican nomination next year, provided Mr. Blaine wants the honor. It is a case of get out of the way or he crushed.

The Constitutional Convention reassembled endorsed by the people. The work now on hand is to correct errors in verbiage, dispose of trivial inconsistencies and promulgate the document as the constitution.

— We have won her heart until she is a woman of the world. It looks cruel to chastise a recalcitrant boy, but the process has a tendency to cut off his unwieldiness and make him subservient to the best interests of the body politic.

On the last day of his official career, Gov. Buckner was presented with a handsome solid silver berry bowl by the State officials and clerks who have been in office during the Governor's administration. He was popular with the officials as well as with the people. He retires to private life with the benedictions of all.

An ex-Kentucky school teacher named Burton was found with a bullet hole in his head near Albion, N. M., a few days ago. He leaves a record made red by the blood of eighteen men he had killed. He had never attempted to teach any of the many new fangled studies added in recent years to the common school branches, or his record might have included more victims.

The ex-Confederate soldier Gov. Buckner made an ex-Federal soldier Mat. Adams Secretary of State, supported him for Clerk of the Court of Appeals and now that his term as Secretary of State has expired, he steps into the Commissioner ship of Railroads by appointment of the retiring Governor. Those who are ever ready to cry out that ex-Federal soldiers are hypocrites should paste this in their hats.

Will Webster county claim the Democratic nominee for State Senator next time? This is a question frequently propounded, and we would like to hear from the Webster Citizen on the question.—Crittenden Press.

We think we can truthfully answer our neighbor that the Democratic nominee for State Senator next time will make no nomination for a home man next time. The good and true Democrats of Webster are still imbued with the spirit of fairness and gratitude, and only want their dues. Our candidate was defeated. His own county defeated him, but the unfeigned Democrats did all in their power to elect him. A fusion of the Third partyites and Republicans defeated him. Circumstances were against us, and as a result we are in the "soup." It will be Crittenden's time to name the next Senator, and Webster Democrats will stick to him to a man.—Webster Citizen.

The words of our neighbor are like "pictures of gold in frames of silver." Crittenden extends her sympathy to the unfeigned of Webster, and with the proud consciousness of having discharged her duty, she accepts the situation.

"Let her officials not for a moment

Bring In Your

**DRY FRUITS**

— And Get The —

**Highest Market Price For It.**

When you come to town don't fail to come in and get prices on our

**BOOTS & SHOES,**

For we have the LARGEST, BEST & CHEAPEST line ever brought to Marion.

**Clothing & Hats,**

We Are HEADQUARTERS.

Don't fail to get our prices on everything kept in a first-class Dry Goods Store.

**MOORE & DONAKEY.**

**Deeds Recorded.**

G. M. Russell to E. H. Brown, \$1,000 for \$225.

H. P. Tucker to Josiah C. Clark, for \$65.

J. W. Blue to Josiah Cooper, 121 acres for \$210.

J. W. Hughes to C. L. Cook, 11 acres for \$225.

J. A. East to J. M. Brown, 14 acres for \$185.

**A Pointer**

that would guide, unerring, into the heaven of health, all those in the troubled sea of impaired manhood.

It is nothing less, he could be nothing more, than Dr. Pierce's

Favorite Prescription—frank, manly,

laid-back friend—timid, and

thoroughly tested. Intoxicating

irregularities, drowsiness,

and all ill condition, solar

to woman, controlled, carried, and

cured, without publicity, by the

sole sterling specific, Pineapple

Vegetable. Only good can come from use.

The only remedy of all, and

warranted to give satisfaction, is

money refunded.

**Cane Mills.**

Having the ex-

clusive agency for the celebrated

Scantlin Cane

Mill and Evapo-

rator Pans, we

are prepared to

sell these goods

cheaper than ev-

er before, and in-

vite your careful

inspection of the

mills we carry in

stock. Come and

see and get price

before you buy.

Crider & Crider.

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# HERE IS A GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY

**DRY GOODS,  
AND FURNISHING GOODS**  
We are closing out at  
Unheard of Prices.

**GUGENHEIM**  
Clothing! Clothing!  
For Big  
Men and  
Little Boys.

**GUGENHEIM**  
Boots and Shoes,  
Our Prices  
Cannot be  
Beat.

**GUGENHEIM**  
Hats and Hats,  
We have  
All the  
Latest styles.

Bring in your fruit and get more value for the  
money than any one else can or will give you.

## WANTED!

10,000 Bushels wheat

Will pay the highest market  
J. R. CLARK & SON.  
CRIDER & CRIDER.

Smoke our special cigar.—Hearns.  
Try the Spotted Leopard cigar at  
Hearns.

The Marion Mills runs now, you  
bet?

The Town Ball cigar is a dandy  
Hearns has it.

The best wheat Drills made are  
sold by Lefel & Co.

Josh Billings is a good one  
Hearns sells them.

A good many schools begin busi-  
ness Monday.

Some fine jennets wanted.

L. S. Lefel & Co.

Your special attention is called to  
our double geared water elevators.

Lefel & Co.

The Full Spanish cigar is a dandy  
Try one.—Hearns.

The Dark Horse cigar is hard to  
beat. Call at Hearns.

Buy harness oil from  
Pierce & Son.

Before you finish that eastern you  
should see our iron eastern top.  
Lefel & Co.

Special prices will be given clubs  
of three or more on wells.

Lefel & Co.

Farmers bring your wheat to the  
Marion Mills, Paris will give you  
good flour for it.

We will not be undersold on cane  
mills.

Lefel & Co.

I am now ready to buy your dried  
apples and will pay the highest mar-  
ket price in cash.

Schwab.

House and lot.—Offer for sale  
or rent.

M. H. Clifton.

Our double geared water eleva-  
tors run light and will last a lifetime.

Lefel & Co.

Flying Dutchman sulky plows are  
the best, call and see sample at,  
Pierce & Son.

We are just having glass eyes put  
in our blind tiger and you should  
see what a nice water elevator he  
will make.

Lefel & Co.

Double width sashes worth 15 for  
10 cents at Shaw's.

Everything in the way of machine  
repairs will be found with

Lefel & Co.

Wanted to buy all the cross ties on  
the O. V. R. R. for which I will pay  
the highest market price in cash or  
trade.

M. Schwab.

Dress silks, collars and cuffs to  
choose at Shaw's.

When we get those glass eyes put  
in our blind tiger, you should not  
fail to call and see him. He is a  
dandy.

Lefel & Co.

Children like to take "O. C. C."  
"Certain Chill Cure," the pl-  
and guaranteed cure for Fever,  
Ags and Malaria—better than  
Quinine. Sold by Hillyard &  
Woods.

In order to make room for a new  
line of goods I will sell any and all  
dress prints for facts a yard.

J. W. Shaw.

We have the best cano mills on  
earth for the least money.

Lefel & Co.

If your appetite is gone nothing  
will restore it more quickly than  
"C. C. C. Certain Chill Cure," the  
great C. C. C. and guaranteed cure for  
Chills and Fever. Sold by Hillyard &  
Woods.

The Academy opened Monday  
with 187 on the roll. Every thing  
moved off splendidly and this promises  
to be a flourishing term for the  
school.

There now only six paupers at the  
poor house, and two of them are out  
on a visit. There are four men, one  
white woman and one colored woman.

"Diamonds cut diamonds," was  
the greeting the boys gave Harry  
Carnahan and Goo. Conyers while  
the two wore "swapping" horses  
Monday.

There is no use to bring in your  
fruit jus half dry, as I will not take  
it at any price. I cannot handle it.  
I want all your fruit if dry and will  
pay you the highest market price to  
it in cash.

Schwab.

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For Big  
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Our Prices  
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Hats and Hats,  
We have  
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Latest styles.

## SAM. GUGENHEIM

Letter List.

W H Bates, 2; I N Carnahan, Mrs  
Leony Corteney, Dosier Dobbs, Miss  
Tams Hill, H S Huey, Toney  
Huggins, Chas Hall, Miss Mary  
Haynes, Miss Girtie Hamilton, 2;  
John Thomas Lamb, Frasor Mc-  
Reynolds, E Cort Spiry, S G Stoele  
Miss Isbell Stone, Nannie Scott,  
James Street, Mr. Smelley, T F  
Towers, M M Taber.

If the above letters are not called  
for in 30 days they will be sent to  
the dead letter office.

R. Coffield, P. M.

Robertson & Jones Jonesboro,  
Ark, write: "C. C. C. Certain Chill  
Cure gives universal satisfaction."  
Pleasant to take. No cure, no pay.  
Sold by Hillyard & Woods.

The Soap  
that  
Cleans  
Most  
is Lenox.

## NO FAILURES.

### "FORWARD"

has always been our motto in business as in  
everything else. There is no standing still; we  
must go forward or backward; and with the  
highly appreciative patronage of our many  
customers, we have been enabled to make each  
month the best month of our business, and with  
our well equipped crew of buyers and sellers, we  
are determined to sell more goods in September  
than in any previous month. We insist  
upon those who are not buying of us to try our  
house one month. We will sell you a bbl of  
flour, a bbl of salt, a bbl of sugar or anything  
else in the grocery line as cheap or cheaper  
than anybody in town. Try us.

### MORSE & MC CONNELL.

## WE MEAN BUSINESS

Having purchased the stock of goods owned by G. C.  
Gray, I am making great additions to it, consisting of a  
large and elegantly assorted stock of

## FALL AND WINTER PRINTS,

### Ginghams, Dress Goods, Jeans,

Cashimers, Flannels, Cossimers, Linseys, Blankets, Comforts,

### YARNS, ETC.

—ALSO A GREAT LINE OF—

## BOOTS— AND —SHOES,

of the best manufacture and in all grades, either fine or  
heavy. I pay special attention to qualities, and am  
ready to guarantee that the

### Prices Will Be Found Lower

than in any house in this section of the State. My motto  
is: "Fair play and good goods at living prices," and  
all I ask to convince you of this is a TRIAL.

I have secured the services of the old Reliable Salesman  
Mr. R. E. Pickens, who will be glad to meet his old friends  
and customers at the old stand, corner of Main and Salem  
streets.

J. W. SHAW

### FACTS

#### Which Cannot Be Controverted.

In looking for the inevitable re-  
member that Schwab has the new-  
est, prettiest and cheapest furniture.

If you need a cheap chair or a fine  
rocker, a little lounge or a big bed,

a small wash-stand or a fine dresser,

or any other article in the entire

catalogue of furniture, go right

straight to Dick Dorr at Schwab's

furniture emporium, with a little

pile of money and get a big pile of

the very thing you want.

Having sold my stock of goods to

Mr. J. W. Shaw, I now retire from

the mercantile business in Marion, I

desire to thank the good people of

their very liberal patronage in the

past. I heartily recommend my

successor in business to the confi-  
dence of the people and hope my old

friends and customers will stand by

him. I want to get all of my out-  
standing business closed up. All

parties owing me either notes or ac-  
counts will find me at the old stand.

In event of my absence Mr. R. E. Pick-  
ens is authorized to collect and re-  
ceipt you. Very Rep'y.

G. C. Gray:

### LIVE AND LET LIVE,

Is the motto of the Cheap John store  
on Main street, first door on North of  
Hillyard & Woods' drug store. Read

these prices and be convinced:

Best fresh cheese, per lb 15 cts

Best fresh sausages, per lb 12 cts

Best soda crackers, per lb 8 cts

Best dried beef, per lb 15 cts

Best pepper sauce, per bottle 8 cts

Best table sauce, per bottle 10 cts

Best pickle, 3 for 25 cts

2 boxes French dressing 5 cts

Lemon and vanilla extracts, 7, 8 cts

Bonbon baking powder, per can 5 cts

Ann and Hammer brand soda  
pounds, 8 cts, half pounds, 4 cts

Keg soda, per pound 4 1/2 cts

Sherp's shredded coconut 8 cts

Dry mustard, per can 8 cts

Table mustard, per mug 5 cts

2 plugs Greenback tobae, 15 cts

Greenback, Mail Pouch and  
Opan Boy smoking tobacco, 10 cts

4 cts, or 3 for 10 cts

12 boxes Parlor matches 12 cts

Oysters, per can 10 to 19 cts

Sardines, per can 7 to 12 cts

Oranges, 4 cts each or 3 for 10 cts

Lemons, 2 for 5 cts

Keg pickles, 2 dozen for 15 cts

Cheapest place in town for notions,  
furnishing goods and confectionaries.

Will add coffee, sugar, tea and coal  
oil in a few days. Call and see me.

J. W. SKELTON.

# FARM FIELD & GARDEN

THE GLUTEN IN WHEAT.

Relative Proportion Between the Gluten and Starch in Various Soils.

The gluten and starch differ in different countries, and also in different soils but the gluten being by far the more valuable of the two, any slight increase in its percentage would greatly improve the wheat. Our wheats have the reputation of possessing gluten in large proportions, and in many parts of the world they are sought eagerly for seed. But, explains American Cultivator, a great deal of this has been due to the fact that the wheat has been grown on the virgin soil of the northwest, where the rich nitrogenous manure has been collecting for centuries. Wheat grown upon the virgin soil of the northwest is so much superior to that of many other countries that 100 pounds of it will go further to sustain the strength of workingmen than 150 pounds of wheat from Australia and other countries.

The object of cultivating wheat then is to increase the quantity of gluten, and the application of manure for this purpose has not yet been definitely settled.

The fertilizer that will produce the heaviest crop of wheat does not always produce the greatest amount of gluten. Virgin soil, however, is the soil when cultivated, that contains the essentials for producing a high percentage of this constituent, and anything that will tend to keep the soil up to this standard is good.

A great deal also depends upon the wheat. That the wheat is specially adapted by the character of the soil for wheat growing may be shown by a census result of sowing foreign seeds there.

The round varieties of wheat contain a less amount of gluten than the elongated,

but when these same round seeds are sown in the soils of the west they gradually become elongated, increasing the amount of gluten as they change in shape. Flour made from wheat rich in gluten is the best, but it does not contain the largest percentage of gluten which is the constituent of the wheat that goes to make muscle and strength.

In regard to applying manure, however, says the authority quoted, barnyard manure, short and well rotted, is always of value in increasing the percentage of gluten. Commercial manures that are abounding with nitrogenous manure are good, but they should always be used with some sulphate.

The phosphoric acid in the latter tends to increase the amount of gluten in the wheat and to benefit the growth considerably in other ways. This combination should not be ignored, for it is very important.

Some Points About Pulled Wool.

Pulled wool is the wool that is given to the weaver to pull from the skin or felt of the shaggy animal. The unwashed wool pulled from the carcass of a dead animal is distinguished as dead pulled wool. Few farmers or shepherds are aware of the large amount of this description of wool produced and manufactured in this country, or of the fact that in the manufacture of certain goods the result attained by their use cannot be produced by any other kinds. Of pulled wool, it is said, stocks in the leading markets are at this time unusually light, and manufacturers are finding it difficult to obtain a supply.

According to the experts we are almost entirely dependent for wool of this description on our own country, as our importations of them are very small, the majority of these coming in on the skins, in which condition their value is a secondary and not a primary consideration. Pullers, since the first of the year, have been kept unusually busy and report that they have had a smaller number of skins during the past year than for several previous years.

As stated by the authority above quoted, formerly the major part of our pulled wool was produced in the east, but since sheep began to be slaughtered in the west instead of being shipped alive the production rapidly declined in the east, particularly New York. It is further said that Armstrong Swift each pull about 3,000 skins a day, and that Swift has increased the capacity of his factory so that hereafter the output will be about 5,000 skins instead of 3,000 as heretofore.

One additional reason which may be given for the present scarcity of these wools in eastern markets is the increasing consumption in the middle states. Swift reports that about four-fifths of the wools pulled in his factory last year were taken by western manufacturers.

He Swallows Live Frogs.

A man with one of the most curious proclivities lives in Stamford, Conn. He has acquired a taste for live frogs, and swallows the most daintily morsel that ever was cooked. The name is John Stowe, and he is employed by Austin Harris. Stowe has been a resident of Stamford only a few years, but it was not until recently that his appetite for bullfrogs became known. One day within a week he laid a wager that he could swallow a frog alive, and was at once taken up.

Wednesday the test was made on a bet of one dollar, five lives being present. The first one that was brought to him was too large to work down his throat, and he selected one from a creek on the Harris farm small enough to go down. He placed the frog head first in his mouth, shewed the frog which was in his fist, and then, in instant the amphibious animal was out of sight and probably impaling around his stomach. The story of the feast at once spread, and within a few days there were numerous doubtless Thomases who, notwithstanding the undoubted integrity of the many witnesses, did not believe that Stowe could swallow a live frog of their selection.

Stowe was willing to try the thing again, and, thinking, so to speak, to his friend, took another bet and upchoked the day. On Monday the second frog was swallowed, and the witnesses present were again astounded. Stowe was ready at any time to swallow a frog on a bet, and he has won a sum of money in soaps in lots of dollars from workmen with whom he comes in contact. He says he does not feel any bad effect, they are dead shortly after landing in the stomach. The food, he says, is excellent, and people eat much worse things every day. They are just as good as live oysters or live clams, or even live scallops.—Baltimore Sun.

A newspaper in the Gypsy Jargon, the *Yester*, is soon to be published in England, and the expected price of making it the organ of the wandering people. It will be edited by George Smith, the "king" of the English Gypsies, who counts upon getting 20,000 subscribers to it.

Playing Peacock with Death.

Mrs. Divine, a widow, of Cornwall, N.Y., went to church Sunday, bearing her two little girls, Nelly and Jamie, aged respectively six and four years, alone in the house. Half an hour later Mrs. Benton, the wife of a neighboring farmer, saw the children sitting on the grass under an apple tree, striking every few moments at something on the ground. After each stroke they screamed with laughter.

Mrs. Benton's curiosity was aroused, and she crossed the road to see what was amiss in the tree. As she approached them Nelly cried gleefully, "Big women playing peacock with us!" She had hardly ceased speaking when off the length of a stick she heard the shrill cry of a hawk in the direction of the children. Two switches descended smartly upon it, and the ugly bird was quickly pulled back.

Mrs. Benton called to her husband, who was watching her, and rushing forward she dragged the little girls away from the hole. Mrs. Benton arrived just as the snake looked out again to see what had become of them. The farmer's stick fell upon his head and he went back no more. His body was very nearly ten feet long. Mrs. Divine fainted when she saw the snake, and the children were the story, but the children wpt and refused to be comforted, because their playmate was dead.—Hartford Post.

Robert, the Painter. Is Dead.

On Thirty-fifth street is a little low-browed shopkeeper. The place seats about thirty people. The price of admission is 10 cents, and includes a glass of beer and toasted cheese entertainment. The paintings crowd each other on the dirty walls and have that peculiarly indistinct look of the work of the early oil masters.

Yet, forbidding as this would all appear, this place is noted for its choice morsels and is frequented by the swell mountebank town. Among the familiar belongings the face of Robert, the single water, is seen no more. Robert is dead. Robert was painter among painters. He never forgot. He knew a thousand compositions by heart. He sold personal tastes by a great many artists. He was never drunk, but took your tip graciously.

Tips! He made from five to twenty dollars a day, did Robert. He averaged \$300 a month and he had a monopoly. Robert is dead, good fellow, and gone where tips are not recognized. He is not forgotten, however, by any means, for late in the morning, over your Welsh rarebit and toby of ale, you will hear many stories of the dead painter whose face so long seemed a part of the place.—New York Herald.

A Friend That Inevitably Loses.

What is in a dream? Nothing, of course, say most people, and probably those practically inclined. Sometimes their faith in this statement is somewhat shaken. However, such was the case with an Angista (Mo.) woman. She had lost a pair of shears several months before, but the incident had passed from her mind, when of an afternoon she fell asleep on the sofa and dreamed that she had discovered the shears were about the sofa. Waking, she began to grope around. Finally she started to look under the sofa, and just as she placed her hand on the carpet she remarked, "What a fool I am!" At that instant her hand came in contact with the scissors, which had lain under the carpet since it was put down.—Examiner.

Male and Her Mackerel.

The advent of mackerel upon the Maine coast and into its countless little bays creates great general excitement among the people, and this positive want the coming winter will be a great boon to all families, and with jerk and potatoes in the cellar they feel that they can in a measure prepare, like the oft quoted man in Scripture, to "eat, drink and be merry." In these Maine villages visited by the silvery tribe there is an odor of cooking mackerel emanating from every cottage, and the summer visitor may reckon on getting all the fish, and more, that he wants. It is at such times that the boarding house keeper makes something on his people who pay him only a dollar a day.—Boston Herald.

One Clean to Be Good.

While laboring under the misapprehension that it was counterfeit, the cashier of a large store on Main street refused on Monday to receive a two dollar bill that had merely been disinfected by a judicious use of soap-suds and carbolic acid. The bill was clean, and therefore looked upon with suspicion. Its genuineness was subsequently established by the Charter Oak bank exchanging it for another bill. World is not to be blamed if storekeepers and the public in general do not cease to receive bills which are so soiled as to suggest at sight the need of disinfection, and accept those that are to be handled.—Hartford Courant.

Fine Artificial Teeth.

A Specialty.

Rubber or Celluloid Plates.

E. C. Flanary.

Attorney-at-Law.

MARION, KY.

Prompt attention given to all business entrusted to his care. Collections a specialty.

CHAS. A. GRAY,

Attorney-At-Law,

ANDNOTAR P. J. C.

TOLU. - - KENTUCKY.

Having decided to devote my entire time to the sale of my button case, I will close out my stock of goods **AT COST**.

Thanking customers and the public generally for past patronage, I will say that if you want goods at a bargain, I now offer you the best opportunity to get them. All persons indebted to me are earnestly requested to call and settle. My business must be wound up. Don't postpone this for I need the money to put into my button case business.

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THE GLUTEN IN WHEAT.

Relative Proportions Between the Gluten and Starch in Various Soils.

The relative proportion between the gluten and starch differs in different countries, and also in different soils, but the gluten, being by far the more valuable, and the starch, which is in its secretion, would greatly improve the wheat. Our wheats have the reputation of possessing gluten in large proportions, and in many parts of the world they are sought eagerly for seed. But, explains American Cultivator, a great deal of this has been due to the fact that the wheat has been grown on the virgin soil of the northwest, where the rich nitrogenous manures have been collecting for years. The wheat grown on the virgin soil of this country is so much superior to that of many other countries that 100 pounds of it will go further to sustain the strength of workmen than 150 pounds of wheat from Australia and other countries.

The object of cultivating wheat then is to increase the quantity of gluten, and the application of manure for this purpose has not yet been definitely settled.

The further that the publican has been, the more does he always produce the greatest amount of starch.

Virgin soil, however, is the soil when cultivated, that contains the essentials for producing a high percentage of this constituent, and anything that will tend to keep the soil up to this standard is good.

A great deal also depends upon the wheat. That the west is specially adapted by the character of the soil for wheat growing may be shown by the cultivation of wheat in the soils of the east.

The round varieties of wheat contain a less amount of gluten than the elongated, but when these same round seeds are sown in the soils of the west they gradually become elongated, increasing in shape. Flour made from wheat rich in gluten is never the whitest, but it has rather a creamy tint. The mistake of the publican is that the wheat flour is the better, it must be. In making the whitest bread, but it does not contain the largest percentage of gluten, which is the constituent of the wheat that goes to make muscle and strength.

In regard to applying manure, however, says the authority quoted, barnyard manure, short and well rotted, is always of value in increasing the percentage of gluten. Commercial manures that are good, but they should always be used along with superphosphate. The phosphoric acid in the latter tends to increase the amount of gluten in the wheat and to benefit the growth considerably in other ways. This combination should not be ignored, for it is very important.

Some Points About Pulled Wool.

Pulled wool is the name that is given to the wool that is pulled from the skin or pelt of the slaughtered animal. The unwashed wool pulled from the carcass of a dead animal is distinguished as dead pulled wool. Few farmers or shepherds are aware of the large amount of this description of wool produced in this country, in consideration of the fact that the manufacturer of wool goods has the result attained by their use cannot be produced by any other kinds. Of pulled wool, it is said, stocks in the leading markets are at this time unusually light, and manufacturers are finding it difficult to obtain a supply. According to Bradstreet's we are almost entirely dependent for wool of this description on our own production, as imports of them are very small, the majority of these coming in on the skins of animals. The commercial value is a secondary and not a primary consideration. Pullers, since the first of the year, have been kept unusually busy and report that they have had a smaller number of skins during the past year than for several previous years.

As stated by the authority above quoted, formerly the major part of our pulled wool was produced in the east, but this has begun to be slaughtered in the west in view of the fact that, while the industry has rapidly decreased in the east, particularly in New York. It is further said that Armour and Swift pull about 3,000 skins a day, and that Swift has increased the capacity of his factory so that hereafter the output will be about 5,000 skins instead of 3,000 as heretofore.

One additional reason which may be given for the present scarcity of these wool in eastern markets is the increasing consumption of them in the states. Swift reports that about four-fifths of the wool pulled in his factory last year were taken by western manufacturers.

He Swallows Live Frogs.

A man with one of the most curious propensities lives in Sherton, Conn. He has acquired an appetite for live bullfrogs, and swallows them with the same ease he would swallow the most dainty morsel that ever was cooked. The man's name is John Stowe, and he is employed by Austin Morris. Stowe has been a resident of Sherton only a few months, but it was not until recently that he began to eat bullfrogs, because known. One day within a week he had a wager that he could swallow a live frog alive, and the same taken up.

Wednesday the test was made on a bet of one dollar, live parties being present. The first one that was brought to him was too large to work down his throat, and he selected one from a crevice on the Harris farm small enough to go down. He placed the frog head first in his mouth, closed the throat, and with his fingers, and in an instant the amphibious animal was out of sight and quickly jumping around his stomach. The story of the feat at once spread, and within a few days there were a number of doubting Thomases who, notwithstanding the undoubted integrity of the many witnesses, did not believe that Stowe could swallow a live frog of their selection.

Stowe was willing to try the thing again, so he spoke to his friends, took a live frog, and the day. On Monday the second frog was swallowed, and the witnesses present were again astounded. Stowe is ready at any time to swallow a frog on a bet, and as frogs are numerous at present he scoops in lots of dollars from workmen with whom he comes in contact. He says he does not feel any bad effect, as they are dead shortly after landing in the stomach. The food, he says, is excellent, and people can much worse things every day. They are just as good as live oysters or live clams, or even scallops.—Baltimore Sun.

A newspaper in the Gypsy jargon, the Romany tongue, is soon to be published in England with the expectation of making it the organ of the wandering people. It will be edited by George Smith, the "king" of the English Gypsies, who counts upon getting 30,000 subscribers to it.

Playing Possum with Death.

Mrs. Divine, a widow, of Cornwell, N. Y., went to church Sunday, leaving her two little girls, Nora and Jamie, aged respectively six and four years, alone in the house. Half an hour later Mrs. Benton, the wife of a neighboring farmer, saw the children sitting on the floor, and, striking every few moments at something on the ground. After each stroke they screamed with laughter.

Mrs. Benton's curiosity was aroused, and she crossed the road to see what was amiss in the girls. As she approached them, Nora cried gaily, "Big worm playing possum with us." She had hardly ceased speaking when the length of a great copperhead snake darted out of the hole in the direction of the children. Two switches descended smoothly upon it, and the ugly head was quickly pulled back.

Mrs. Benton called to her husband, who was watching her, and rushing forward she dragged the little girls away from the hole. Mr. Benton ran just as the snake looked out again to see what had become of them. The farmer's stick fell upon his head and he went back no more. The boy was very nearly a foot long. Mrs. Divine pointed when she saw the snake and heard the story, but the children went and refused to be comforted because their playmate was dead.—Hartford Post.

Robert the Wart, is Dead.

On Thirty-fifth street is a little low building which is frequented by the swell men of the town. Among the familiar belongings the face of Robert, the single waster, is seen no more. Robert is dead.

Robert was a waster among wasters. He never forgot it. He knew a thousand enter-tomers by sight. He sized personal taste up by a sort of instinct. He was never elusive, but took your tip graciously.

Tip: He made from five to twenty dollars a day, did Robert. He averaged a good deal more, but he had to work.

But Robert is dead, good fellow, and gone where tips are not recognized. He is not forgotten, however, by any means, for late in the morning, over your Welsh rarebit and toly of ale, you will hear many stories of the dead waster who once so long seemed a part of the place.—New York Herald.

A tree that Located Lost Sheep.

What's in a dream? Nothing, of course, say most people, and specially those practically inclined. Sometimes their faith in this statement is somewhat shaken however. Such was the case with an Angus (Mo.) woman. She had lost a pair of shears several months before, but the incident had passed from her mind, when of an afternoon she fell asleep on the sofa and dreamt that she had the shears. She awoke with a start at the sofa, and knowing she can't go to sleep again, she can't go to sleep again.

Finally she got up and looked for the shears, and where tips are not recognized. He is not forgotten, however, by any means, for late in the morning, over your Welsh rarebit and toly of ale, you will hear many stories of the dead waster who once so long seemed a part of the place.—New York Herald.

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